

CLERK: 27 ayes, no nays on the fifth Warner amendment.

PRESIDENT: It is adopted.

SENATOR WARNER: Okay, Mr. President, I think that all of the rest of the amendments can be done with one vote. Amendment number 6 is nothing but a technical adjustment. It is an adjustment in the personal service limitations in the Department of Education where they have..the agencies have had some people who are employed on a contractual basis and when we went on to the NEIS system, the Nebraska Employee Information System, those contractual types of arrangements were treated the same as regular state employees and this necessitates adjustment in personal service limitations. No change in the dollar amount that is appropriated. This is number six. Number seven strikes some language in the existing appropriation bill allowing the coordinating commission for post secondary education to spend some additional federal funds that will be available through June 30th. The old language prohibited their spending any of these funds without prior legislative approval or authorization and this gives them the authorization for the balance of this year. Amendment number eight is additional language that is added, addressed to the Department of Administrative Services, so that when they make adjustments in their data processing costs that are charged the different agencies that there will be a 30 day notice prior to the implementation of any adjusted, adjustment in rate to the Executive Board of the Legislature and to the Governor together with the justification for those rate adjustments. Obviously those adjustments sometimes take place during the interim, between legislative sessions. Obviously we can not, as a legislature, prohibit those adjustments but at least we think that it is important that we should know at the time or prior to the time that those adjustments are made because they do have some effect upon the General Fund appropriation that was made to an agency and the additional language also indicates that...to the effect that if a reduction in the charge is made that there should not be an increase in the General Fund appropriation by default back to the agency, its instructional language, and the stricken language that is contained on the next three pages strike the language of the old appropriation bill that actually prohibited any reduction or rebate for overcharges and we insert the new language which will comply with some federal concerns and still accomplishes the same purpose. In the ninth amendment, it is merely a clarification as to the exact dollar amount that is contained in 924 for reimbursement of LB 403 special education funds back to local school districts which is the \$13,801,556 for this year. A total appropriation. This clarifies that this is the maximum that the Legislature intends that would be reimbursed this year. The reason for adding this language is that there are a couple of other aid programs contained in that same appropriation program, and by identifying the amount for LB 403 to the department, it's clear as to what level of funding we intended for this one program out of the total amount. I move adoption of those four amendments, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Any discussion of these amendments? The question is the adoption of these amendment discussed by Senator Warner. Record your vote. Could I have your attention please. Record.